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DEMOCRATIC DISTRICT CONVENTION

WADDELL AND STANFORD.

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HARMONY AND VICTORY.

The Democratic Convention of the Third Congressional District met in the Opera House, Fayetteville, on Wednesday, May 31, pursuant to the call of the Executive Committee. Every county in the District was represented, and most of them by a large number of delegates. The utmost harmony and enthusiasm prevailed, and the unanimity and hearty good will with which the entire work was rattled gave unmistakable evidence of an assured victory in November.

At 11 o'clock the Convention was called to order by J. A. Worth, Esq., of Cumberland, Chairman of the Executive Committee, who briefly stated the purpose for which it had been called. He designated Mr. R. K. Bryan of Pender county as temporary Chairman.

Mr. Bryan in taking the chair addressed the delegates briefly but adly upon the importance of the political crisis and urging harmony in their deliberations and unceasing work afterwards until the election.

Messrs. J. W. Dunham of New Hanover and John Nett, Jr., of Bladen were appointed Secretaries.

The Chairman announced the following committees upon organization which had been ordered by motion, viz: A. D. McLean of Harnett, J. D. Stanford of Duplin, J. W. Shackelford of Onslow, J. A. Worth of Cumberland, J. A. Engelhard of New Hanover, W. T. Emmett of Pender, E. W. Kerr of Sampson, B. L. Perry of Carteret, T. S. Memory of Columbus, H. Galloway of Brunswick, D. Cromatie of Bladen and J. A. Worth of Moore.

After a short recess, the convention assembled, and through their chairman, General McLean, the committee on permanent organization reported the following officers:

President—R. K. Bryan of Pender. Vice Presidents—A. A. Melver of Moore, A. M. Paison of Duplin, S. B. Taylor of Onslow.

Secretaries—John Nett, Jr., of Bladen, O. H. Allen of Duplin, Alexander Graham of Cumberland.

The convention unanimously adopted the report of the committee, and the officers selected took their several positions.

Upon motion a committee on resolutions was directed to be appointed, to whom were referred all questions relative to the manner in which the vote of the several counties should be cast, which was discussed at some length.

The President announced the following committee on resolutions, viz: Jno. D. Stanford, Duplin; S. S. Satchell, Pender; J. W. Shackelford, Onslow; J. H. Myrver, Cumberland; Mr. Satchell, J. A. Engelhard, New Hanover; G. C. Lyon, Bladen; W. C. Murphy, Sampson; B. L. Perry, Carteret; R. Galloway, Brunswick; W. R. McLeod, Columbus; A. A. Melver, Moore.

The convention took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

Upon the reassembling of the Convention Dr. S. S. Satchell, from the Committee on Resolutions, submitted the following report, viz:

Whereas, The Democratic party of the Third Congressional District, in Convention assembled, animated by a determination to promote the cause of constitutional liberty and to aid by all the patriotic and honorable means in our power to advance the great work of progress and to build up this vast country, cherish an abiding conviction that the destructive practices and tendencies of the noble cause consist in the predominance of democratic principles and the restoration to power of the great democratic party, therefore,

Resolved, That it is with feelings of deep satisfaction and profound faith, and of patriotic and profound affection, we regard the general prevalence of democracy, and of constitutional liberty, and of the restoration to power of the great democratic party, therefore,

Resolved, That as a means of promoting and securing those noble ends, the restoration of the Union, the preservation of the Constitution and the noble State, as well as the prosperity and salvation of the country at large, we pledge ourselves, one to another and to our Democratic brethren all over this broad land to use every fair and honorable means, to put down the rule of Radicalism and to establish the rule of Democracy, and to maintain the principles of the Democratic party, wherever to those principles are applied, and to recognize, as a means of justice as well as of expediency, the adoption of the two-thirds rule, as a means of voting, and that we will adopt the same rule of 1872 as our rule in voting for nominations in this convention.

The report was adopted without discussion.

The next business in order being the nomination of a candidate for Congress, Mr. J. H. Myrver of Cumberland, put in nomination Hon. A. M. Waddell of New Hanover in an able and eloquent speech. This nomination

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